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PROJECT SPIKE

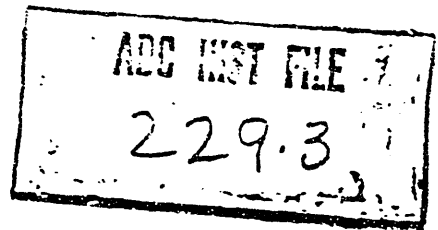
PURPOSE: Provide current status of SPIKE for Gen McGeorge's SAMS0 visit.

ADC POSITION

- - - SPIKE provides low cost, near-term capability for satellite intercept prior to first pass over CONUS.
- - - Aerospace Defense Program (ADP) compliments SPIKE as high altitude, far-term system.
- - - ADP is a disproportionate & operational capability representation.

FACTS

- - - Mr Jones, Asst SA7RD. 11 Sep memo to Mr Hansen questioned
 - - - Rationale for intercept
 - - - Why air launch
 - - - State-of-art technology
 - - - Critical technology test
- - - SAMS0 is responding to the above questions.
- - - Mr Jones' comments reflect his opinion that SAMS0's homework was of insufficient depth.
- - - \$1 M of \$10 M FY72 ADP money proposed for SPIKE by SAMS0. Status is unknown.



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IMPACT

- - - SPIKE loses near-term attractiveness if not vigorously pursued.

RECOMMENDED SOLUTION

- - - Present the following proposals to Gen Phillips:

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- - - Dependent on FY72 study/technology findings, conduct a demonstration program.
- - - Since Secretary Packard has identified money for prototype demonstrations, include SPIKE as one in that category.

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